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Re:	Inventors:	PRICE, Chuck; SANTORE, Gary and PHAN, Thé
	Invention:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PLANT MANAGEMENT
	Serial No.:	10/828.751
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OFFICE OF INITIAL PATENT EXAMINATION - STATUS INQUIRY

Dear Sir/Madam:

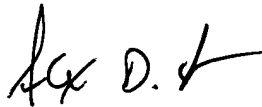
The above-referenced patent application was filed on April 21, 2004. A response to the Notice to file Missing Parts was submitted on August 27, 2004. Additionally, the application was published on January 6, 2005. Because we have not yet received any further communications from you, such as an Office Action, we ask your assistance in verifying the status of the above-referenced application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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